

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland, Mississippi, met in special session at the Waveland City Hall Boardroom, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS. on September 11, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., to take action on the following matters of city business.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Garcia noted for the record the presence of Aldermen Stahler, Geoffrey, Lafontaine and Kidd along with City Attorney Gary Yarborough and City Clerk Lisa Planchard.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Re: Ms. Connie West expressed her concerns regarding culvert drainage under the Railroad tracks. She said she was pleasantly surprised to learn before the meeting that there are Improvement Projects underway that will take that area into consideration. She is very much in favor of concrete ditches and told the Board, "Go for it."

Re: Ms. Lana Noonan with the Alliance for Good Government was present to ask the Board to provide assistance, if they can, to the Hancock County Sheriff's Department, which will be taking a significant budget cut in the upcoming year. She noted that they came to our aid when we needed their help in late 2011 and we need to pull together to provide a safe community.

BUDGET: FY 2013/BUDGET: FY 2014

Re: Budget FY September 30, 2014 - Adopt; and Budget FY 2013 Amend to Actual

Alderman Stahler moved, seconded by Alderman Kidd to adopt the September 30, 2014 Proposed Budget including the proposed salary & benefits schedule; and amend the September 30, 2013 Budget to actual at September 30, 2013.

Alderman Kidd said he felt this budget went very smooth and appreciated all of the hard work between the Staff, City Attorney, Aldermen and Mayor. Alderman Lafontaine agreed, but next year would like to see us have a little more time to discuss it. He said one of the items that he liked to see in the budget was money for the website and possibly hiring a grant writer. Alderman Geoffrey concurred with his comments. Mayor Garcia noted the tough time the City has been through and agreed with Mrs. Noonan and her ideas to assist the Sheriff's Department. Alderman Lafontaine asked if the Mayor and Police Chief David Allen could offer Sheriff Adams how the City of Waveland can assist them.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Stahler, Geoffrey, Lafontaine and Kidd

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

MEETING/ADVERTISEMENT/PUBLISHING/BUDGET FY SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

Re: Notice of meeting published in the Sea Coast Echo

Spread on the Minutes that Notice of this Special Meeting of 9-11-2013 was published Saturday September 7, 2013 and Wednesday September 11, 2013 in the Sea Coast Echo local newspaper.

The Mayor opened the floor to the Public for Comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS, CONTINUED:

Mrs. Lana Noonan asked if the website can be upgraded to include Minutes, Claims Dockets, Agendas, Audits, Ordinances, and Building Department Forms. She said this

would enable the public to see online how their money is spent and therefore be able to ask more informed questions at Board meetings.

Mr. Jay Trapani said he felt there was not enough detailed budget information provided to the public at the Public Hearing to enable them to ask intelligent questions at the meeting. He asked if the City would provide a history or 2 to 3 year budget trend so the public can see that trend in revenues and costs as they relate to the upcoming year. Mr. Trapani asked about the phone bill at the Civic Center. Ms. Dudding said the Civic Center has several phone lines and the bills are broken out into several Departments, one of which is the Court. She said she would look at the bill further to get Mr. Trapani more detail with regard to that bill. She suggested that Mr. Trapani get her his questions in advance so that she can have time to prepare a detailed and informed response. Ms. Dudding said that she would like to point out the difference between a line item budget and the budget format that was presented at the Public Hearing. She said there is a state statue that requires the municipality to use the State Auditor's Office promulgated forms. The State Audit Department developed the forms and this format; the format that they require is the format that the City will adopt. The Budget that was presented at the Public Hearing was the format that followed the State Audit and Accounting Guide; this is the format that the Board would be required to adopt. Mr. Trapani asked for more detail during the presentation of the Budget at next year's public hearing.

ADJOURN

Re: Adjourn meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Alderman Lafontaine moved, seconded by Alderman Geoffrey to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results:

Voting Yea: Stahler and Geoffrey, Lafontaine and Kidd

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

The foregoing minutes were presented to Mayor Garcia on October 3, 2013.

Lisa B. Planchard
City Clerk

The Minutes of the Special Meeting September 11, 2013 have been read and approved by me on this, the 3rd day of October 2013.

David A. Garcia Mayor

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